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Public Money Squandered by Democrats.

Inasmuch as Democratic presses and Democratic speakers continue to harp on what has been done by the Republican party, we have gathered up a few acts of the Democratic party, which will show how very honest and how very careful that party has been with the State's money.

In 1836, this State received on deposit from the United States Treasurer in gold, surplus revenue belonging to the United States government, amounting to \$1,433,757.39. The faith of the State was pledged for the safe-keeping and for the repayment of the same when ever called for by the United States.

In 1857, the Legislature passed an act to create a sinking fund. It was enacted that the dividends on stocks in all railroads, plankroads, turnpikes, navigation companies and all excess of revenue collected after paying the necessary expenses of the State government, was set apart as a sinking fund and placed in the hands of certain Commissioners of the sinking fund for the purpose of paying the debt of the State.

These Commissioners reported to the General Assembly in December, 1860, that they had received the sum of 457,000 under the above act. Where is that money? It was not Confederate money, it was not in war bonds, it was not in State scrip.

In 1860, the literary fund of North Carolina amounted to \$440,326.12. This amount was invested in old State bonds, Railroad bonds, bonds of Colleges, &c. At the close of the war, a committee appointed by the General Assembly found that the literary fund consisted of \$351,500 of State war bonds and \$723,855.50 of Confederate bonds, &c.

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We have not charged any one with stealing any of the foregoing State money. But we do charge a gross mismanagement and reckless investment of State money by members of the Democratic party, and we do hold that men who have brought nothing but war, bloodshed and bankruptcy on our people are not worthy to be longer trusted.

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Gov. Vance and the State Debt.

Gov. Vance opened the campaign at Statesville, on the 2nd inst., with a characteristic speech. Of course it was interspersed with funny anecdotes and laughter, but much of it was devoted to the financial condition of the Southern States. He spoke of our State debt as follows:

"In North Carolina, the debts and liabilities in July 1861 were \$9,609,500. Present debts and liabilities, \$34,887,467.85. An increase of over twenty five millions."

Now let us examine the facts and ascertain if this statement be true: Mr. Kemp P. Battle, State Treasurer, on the 19th of November, 1866, reported to the General Assembly as follows:

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There must be added also \$457,000 of the sinking fund. This amount was invested in old State bonds, but during the war the old bonds were sold and that amount sunk in "non-taxable Confederate State Bonds."

To this amount must be added all the dividends which accrued to the Sinking Fund after December, 1860. Of course the good people of Ireland would not laugh at so sacred a thing as the war debt incurred during Gov. Vance's administration, and so he did not joke on that subject.

It would not do to remind them what a howl went up from Conservative throats in 1865 when the United States Government demanded that the war debt of the State and counties should be repudiated, and that the good people of the State should be debarred the exquisite pleasure of paying off Gov. Vance's war debt. So Gov. Vance didn't tell that joke and nobody laughing thereat.

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We are authorized by this gentleman to inform the delegates to the Republican State Convention which meets in this city on Wednesday next, that he declines to allow his name to be brought before the Convention for the office of State Treasurer. Gen. Dockery is grateful for the honorable mention of his name which friends have been pleased to make in connection with the important office of State Treasurer.

There was a storm in Connecticut on the first inst., but only the Democracy got wet. It was simply a liteshower foretelling a protracted reign of Republicanism throughout the country.

REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

Franklin County.

In pursuance of previous notice, the Republicans of Franklin county met at the Court House in Louisburg on Wednesday, April 11th for the purpose of appointing delegates to attend the State Convention at Raleigh, the 4th Congressional District Convention, and the 7th Senatorial District Convention.

The meeting was called to order by J. B. Williamson, chairman of the County Executive Committee, and on motion, C. H. Thomas was called to preside over the meeting, who, on taking his seat, explained the object of the meeting in his usual brief and succinct manner. On motion, J. B. Tucker was requested to act as secretary.

On motion of J. Reid, the chairman appointed a committee of ten to draft resolutions for the action of the Convention. The committee then retired, and J. B. Williamson was called upon to address the meeting, which he did in his forcible style, and at the close of his remarks the committee reported through their chairman the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved 1. That we do most heartily approve of the administration of Gov. Caldwell, in the main, and mainly of his efforts in preserving peace and harmony throughout the State, and we do most earnestly recommend him as our first choice for re-election to the high position which he now holds, and pledge him our most hearty and united support, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

Resolved 2. That we do most heartily approve of the administration of Gov. Caldwell, in the main, and mainly of his efforts in preserving peace and harmony throughout the State, and we do most earnestly recommend him as our first choice for re-election to the high position which he now holds, and pledge him our most hearty and united support, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

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Chatham County.

There was a Convention of the Republicans of Chatham, at Pittsboro, on Saturday, the 30th of March, 1872, at which J. A. McDonald, Chairman of the County Executive Committee, announced the object of the Convention, whereupon Col. J. A. McDonald moved that Silas Burnes be appointed President of the Convention, which was unanimously carried, and J. B. Atkinson was appointed Secretary.

The President announced that the Convention was organized and ready for business, when Dr. A. B. Chapin moved that the President appoint a committee of five to prepare resolutions for the action of the Convention. The motion was carried and the following persons appointed: A. B. Chapin, H. P. Stranghan, B. I. Howze, John Smith, Thomas Blackwell, Thomas Taylor, and Joseph Perry.

After retiring for consultation, the committee returned and reported through their chairman, A. B. Chapin, the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted: 1. That we do most cordially and heartily endorse President Grant and his administration, as having brought untold blessings to our people, and greatly contributed to the general welfare of the whole nation, and particularly to the Southern States of this great republic, and we pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure his re-election, by so doing we believe the safety of the nation and people would be best secured, and the affairs of the National Government continued in the hands of a wise and energetic patriot.

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Richmond County.

Pursuant to notice a meeting of the Republican party of Richmond county was held at the Court House in Rockingham, on the 6th inst., when and where the following proceedings were had: On motion, Hampton S. Wade, Esq., called to the chair and Wm. B. Terry requested to act as secretary.

On motion of Richard Ramsey, the Convention adjourned to meet again at the same place on the 25th of May next. SILAS BURNS, Chairman. HENRY C. ATKINS, Secretary.

On motion of the Convention, the following resolutions were adopted: 1. That we do most heartily endorse the administration of President Grant, and we pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure his re-election to the high position which he now holds, and we pledge our most hearty and united support to him, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

Resolved 2. That we do most heartily endorse the administration of President Grant, and we pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure his re-election to the high position which he now holds, and we pledge our most hearty and united support to him, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

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Bladen County.

A Convention of the Republican party of Bladen county was held in Elizabethtown, on Saturday the 6th April, 1872, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention.

On permanent organization, Howard Wilkerson, Esq., was called to the chair, and John W. Benson and Evander Singletary, Esq., to act as Secretaries.

The roll of the different Townships was called, and the delegates from each Township enrolled. On motion of A. H. Perry, Esq., a committee of one delegate from each Township was appointed by the chair, to draft resolutions for the action of the Convention.

The chairman appointed as said committee Sheriff W. H. Sykes, John Crossland, A. H. Perry, Esq., J. E. Eldridge, Watty McKelhan, Troy Kemp, W. A. Atkinson and Duthier McKinnis.

The committee on resolutions through their chairman, W. A. Atkinson, reported the following resolutions: Resolved 1. That the Republican party of Bladen county adhere to and reaffirm the great principles of the party, announced at the various National Conventions.

Resolved 2. That we do most heartily endorse the administration of President Grant, and we pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure his re-election to the high position which he now holds, and we pledge our most hearty and united support to him, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

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Gates County.

In pursuance to a call of the Republican Executive Committee, a number of the Republicans of Gates county met at the Court House in Camden, on Thursday April 12th, at 2 p. m. The meeting was organized by Wm. L. Reid, Esq., chairman, and A. G. Rountree was unanimously chosen secretary.

The chairman called on Rev. L. W. Boone to state the object of the meeting, which he did in his usual style of eloquence, his remarks being appropriate to the occasion.

On motion of Rev. L. W. Boone, a committee of three were appointed to bring forth the names of suitable persons as delegates to attend the Republican State Convention, to be held at Raleigh on the 17th, names as follows: A. G. Rountree, Asbury Reid and Elisha Rooks. The committee returned and presented the names of the following gentlemen as delegates: Thos. D. Hoffer, A. G. Rountree, Chas. W. Rouse, J. B. Rouse, James R. Isaac, Isaac Smith, Jethro Bell and Jeremiah Jones.

On motion, a committee was appointed on resolutions. The committee reported, and reported the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted and ordered to be published: Resolved 1. That we approve of the call of a Republican Convention, to be held at Raleigh on the 17th of April, and instruct our delegates to cast their votes of Gates county for Hon. Thos. D. Caldwell, for Governor, and for Hon. Wm. L. Reid, Esq., chairman, and A. G. Rountree as secretary.

Resolved 2. That we do most heartily endorse the administration of President Grant, and we pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure his re-election to the high position which he now holds, and we pledge our most hearty and united support to him, should he receive the nomination at said Convention.

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